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**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

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This paper addresses the Final Office Action dated November 20, 2002 in connection with the above-captioned application.

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**REMARKS**

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**I. Introduction**

Claims 8-17 are pending in the present application. In view of the following remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all of the presently pending claims are allowable and reconsideration is respectfully requested.

**II. Rejection of Claims 8-17 Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)**

Claims 8-17 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by United States Patent No. 5,485,520 ("the Chaum reference"). It is respectfully submitted that the Chaum reference does not anticipate claims 8-17 for the following reasons.